In re Application of:

Shigemichi HAMANO, et al.

Application No.: 10/786,117

Filed: February 26, 2004

For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Docket No. 03500.017925

Examiner: Unassigned

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Date: April 6, 2004

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Preliminary Amendment** in the above-identified application.

X No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	4	MINUS	20	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00		
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00		
Fee for Mu	\$0.00							
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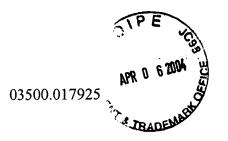
	Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.					
	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.					
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed					
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06 1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.					
X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.					
	Respectfully submitted,					
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.